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- Cleanup is expected to last 3 weeks as crews worked to clear the area where 42,000 pounds of hazardous chemicals spilled from a semi-truck along U.S. Highway 40 on Rabbit Ears Pass in Steamboat Springs, Colorado, March 13. – *Steamboat Pilot & Today* (See item [2](#))
- Kraft Foods Group announced March 17 a voluntary recall of about 242,000 cases of its Macaroni & Cheese Dinner product that were distributed throughout several countries due to the possibility that some boxes may contain metal fragments. – *Washington Post* (See item [14](#))
- Premier Blue Cross reported March 17 that hackers may have gained access to financial and personal information for 11 million customers following a cyber-attack that began in May 2014. – *Reuters* (See item [19](#))
- Firefighters reached 70 percent containment March 17 of a fire that burned 22,300 acres in Woodward County, Oklahoma, and damaged or destroyed 25 structures causing an estimated \$1.1 million in damage. – *Enid News & Eagle* (See item [20](#))

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Energy Sector

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Chemical Industry Sector

1. *March 18, Associated Press* – (West Virginia) **Ex-worker pleads guilty in West Virginia chemical spill case.** A former plant manager at Freedom Industries pleaded guilty March 18 to negligent discharge of a pollutant in connection to a January 2014 chemical spill at the company's Charleston facility that contaminated the water supply of 300,000 West Virginia residents.
Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/news/science/article/2-people-to-make-pleas-in-West-Virginia-chemical-6141728.php>
2. *March 17, Steamboat Pilot & Today* – (Colorado) **Chemical spill cleanup continues on Rabbit Ears Pass.** Crews worked March 17 to excavate the area where 42,000 pounds of hazardous chemicals spilled from an overturned semi-truck along U.S. Highway 40 on Rabbit Ears Pass in Steamboat Springs March 13, while standing water was being pumped into a large tank and contaminated dirt was being removed from the scene. Officials continue to assess the environmental impact and cleanup efforts are expected to last about 3 weeks.
Source: <http://www.steamboattoday.com/news/2015/mar/17/chemical-spill-clean-continues-rabbit-ears-pass/>

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

3. *March 17, TheBayNet.com* – (Maryland) **Nuke plant resumes full operations.** The Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant in Lusby, Maryland, was brought back online March 15 following the completion of the facility's annual refueling outage which began February 16. Technicians replaced nearly one-third of the reactor's fuel and performed thousands of inspections and preventative maintenance activities while the facility was offline.
Source: <http://www.thebaynet.com/articles/0315/nukeplantresumesfulloperations.html>
4. *March 17, Wicked Local Carver* – (Massachusetts) **Pilgrim Station: Nuclear plant gets failing marks.** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's end-of-cycle performance assessment of the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Plant in Plymouth identified deficiencies in the implementation of corrective action plans for unplanned scrams that were not completed as intended or were closed prematurely, among other findings. The review resulted in the plant being issued 2 new white inspection findings to replace 2 existing white performance indicators, and the plant will continue to receive heightened attention until further notice.
Source:

<http://carver.wickedlocal.com/article/20150317/NEWS/150319197/12581/NEWS>

5. *March 17, Lower Hudson Valley Journal News* – (New York) **Indian Point violation: Reactor operator has sleep apnea.** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued an enforcement decision against Entergy March 16 for its failure to notify the agency that an operator of the Indian Point Unit 3 nuclear reactor in New York had a disability that would have resulted in NRC issuing the operator a restricted license instead of a renewed license in 2012.

Source: <http://www.lohud.com/story/news/local/2015/03/17/sleep-apnea/24896477/>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Financial Services Sector

6. *March 17, KMGH 7 Denver* – (Colorado) **Thief dubbed ‘Longhorn Bandit’ robs Westerra Credit Union in Arvada, police say.** Authorities are searching for a suspect dubbed the “Longhorn Bandit”, who allegedly robbed a Westerra Credit Union branch in Arvada March 17 and is believed to be linked to 5 other bank robberies in the area.

Source: <http://www.thedenverchannel.com/news/local-news/man-robs-westerra-credit-union-in-arvada-police-say-suspect-fled-scene-in-black-4-door-sedan03172015>

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Transportation Systems Sector

7. *March 18, South Florida Sun-Sentinel* – (Florida) **Four dead, two hurt after trailer detaches on U.S. 27 in Palm Beach County.** All lanes of a stretch of U.S. Highway 27 near South Bay in Palm Beach County reopened after more than 8 hours March 17 following a chain-reaction crash that was caused by a detached semi-truck trailer resting on the highway and foggy driving conditions. Four individuals were killed and 2 others were injured in the crash that remains under investigation by the Florida Highway Patrol.

Source: <http://www.sun-sentinel.com/local/palm-beach/fl-south-bay-four-fatal-crash->

20150317-story.html

8. *March 17, WABC 7 New York City* – (New York) **Inspection finds several defects with crude oil tank cars, rails through New York.** The office of the governor of New York announced March 17 that an inspection of crude oil tank cars and rails through New York uncovered 93 defects that could result in unstable tracks, including 7 critical safety problems that needed immediate fix.
Source: <http://7online.com/news/inspection-finds-several-defects-with-crude-oil-tank-cars-rails-through-new-york/561887/>
9. *March 17, WPIX 11 New York City* – (New York) **Plane makes emergency landing at JFK Airport after birdstrike.** An American Airlines flight headed to St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, made an emergency landing at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York City after it struck a flock of geese shortly after take-off March 17. The flight's 126 passengers and seven crew members were deplaned and rescheduled to depart on a different plane later that day.
Source: <http://pix11.com/2015/03/17/bird-strike-forces-planes-emergency-landing-at-jfk-airport/>
10. *March 17, Post-Tribune of Northwest Indiana* – (Indiana) **2 dead in head-on crash with Hebron school bus.** Indiana 8 west of Baums Bridge Road in Pleasant Township, was closed for a few hours March 17 after a school bus from the Metropolitan School District of Boone Township and a pickup truck collided head-on, killing 2 individuals and injuring 2 students and the school bus driver.
Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/suburbs/post-tribune/news/ct-ptb-porter-fatal-st-0318-20150317-story.html>
11. *March 17, San Francisco Bay Area News* – (California) **Oakland: Caldecott Tunnel reopened after morning car fire.** An eastbound bore of the Caldecott Tunnel was closed for almost 4 hours March 16 following 2 crashes on Highway 24, including 1 that engulfed a car in flames and prompted officials to evacuate at least 60 motorists from the tunnel. An engineer inspected the tunnel for damage before it was deemed safe and cleared to reopen.
Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/my-town/ci_27720746/oakland-car-fire-inside-caldecott-tunnel-creates-traffic

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Food and Agriculture Sector

12. *March 18, Nebraska.tv* – (Nebraska) **Fire heavily damages Clarks plant.** The American Wood Fibers (AWF) facility in Clarks, Nebraska, sustained major damage from a fire March 16 that prompted the evacuation of employees. The cause of the blaze remains under investigation, and operations were shifted to other AWF facilities.
Source: <http://www.nebraska.tv/story/28546588/fire-heavily-damages-clarks-plant>

13. *March 18, Stevens Point Journal* – (Wisconsin) **Del Monte fire: Smoky, but little damage.** Employees were safely evacuated from the Silgan Containers plant at the Del Monte Foods facility in Plover for several hours March 17 after a fire ignited in a piece of equipment that burns off vapor from a spray booth. The cause of the fire remains under investigation, while authorities reported no injuries or significant structural damage.
Source: <http://www.stevenspointjournal.com/story/news/local/2015/03/17/fire-burning-plover-del-monte-plant/24925857/>
14. *March 17, Washington Post* – (International) **Kraft recalls more than 6 million boxes of macaroni and cheese because they may contain metal.** Kraft Foods Group announced March 17 a voluntary recall of about 242,000 cases containing 6.5 million boxes of its Macaroni & Cheese Dinner product that were distributed throughout the U.S., Puerto Rico, the Caribbean, and some South American countries due to the possibility that some boxes may contain metal fragments. The company warned consumers not to prepare and eat macaroni that comes in the original flavor, 7.25-ounce packages of the product.
Source: <http://www.washingtonpost.com/news/to-your-health/wp/2015/03/17/kraft-recalls-242000-cases-of-macaroni-and-cheese-because-they-may-contain-metal/>
15. *March 17, U.S. Department of Agriculture* – (Missouri) **Recall notification report 047-2015 (Buffalo Jerky).** The Food Safety and Inspection Service announced March 17 that Alewel's Country Meats recalled about 134 pounds of its Buffalo Jerky beef products due to misbranding and use of the wrong inspection legend. The affected products were shipped to retailers in Missouri.
Source: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts/recall-case-archive/archive/2015/rnr-047-2015>
16. *March 17, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Trader Joe's recalls Raw Walnuts because of possible health risk.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration reported March 17 that Trader Joe's Company issued a recall for its Raw Walnuts products due to possible Salmonella contamination. The recalled products were packaged in clear plastic bags and distributed to Trader Joe's stores nationwide.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm438472.htm>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

17. *March 17, Hickory Daily Record* – (North Carolina) **Grease and debris cause wastewater overflow in Hickory.** Buildup of grease and other debris in a sanitary sewer line in Hickory, North Carolina, caused an overflow of 3,300 gallons of wastewater into Cripple Creek in the Catawba River basin March 15. Crews contained the spill using a combination jet/vacuum sewer truck, and officials reported that a visual inspection revealed no apparent impacts to the potable water system.
Source: http://www.hickoryrecord.com/news/grease-and-debris-cause-wastewater-overflow-in-hickory/article_8571139a-cc17-11e4-8060-a31457cbd229.html

18. *March 17, WHAG 25 Hagerstown* – (West Virginia) **Shepherdstown under water advisory.** The Shepherdstown Water Department in West Virginia issued a boil advisory March 17 after officials indicated that there was a high level of contamination within city's limits following a water main break at the East Campus of Shepherdstown University. The break was repaired and the advisory was expected to stay in effect until March 18.
Source: http://www.your4state.com/story/d/story/shepherdstown-under-water-advisory/25360/_5chNQmGqUyftiRfmFpiKQ

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

19. *March 17, Reuters* – (National) **Premiera Blue Cross says data breach exposed medical data.** Premiera Blue Cross reported March 17 that hackers may have gained access to banking account numbers, Social Security numbers, and personal information for 11 million customers following a cyber-attack that began in May 2014. The health insurer is investigating and stated that this attack is unrelated to a previous Blue Cross Blue Shield breach in January.
Source: <http://www.nytimes.com/2015/03/18/business/premera-blue-cross-says-data-breach-exposed-medical-data.html>

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Government Facilities Sector

20. *March 17, Enid News & Eagle* – (Oklahoma) **Wildfire damages \$1.1 in Woodward area.** Firefighters reached 70 percent containment March 17 of a fire that burned 22,300 acres in Woodward County, Oklahoma, and damaged or destroyed 25 structures causing an estimated \$1.1 million in damage. Several people were evacuated March 16 and a stretch of Oklahoma 50 between Mooreland and Freedom was closed for several hours.
Source: http://www.enidnews.com/news/update-wildfire-damages-in-woodward-area/article_a8ade7da-ccac-11e4-9cf0-871eee820f92.html
21. *March 17, KPRC 2 Houston* – (Texas) **School bus with students on board involved in accident on Eastex Freeway.** Nineteen students were transported to area hospitals after their Cleveland Independent School District bus slammed into the back of a semi-truck on the Eastex Freeway at Will Clayton Parkway in Houston March 16.
Source: <http://www.click2houston.com/news/school-bus-with-students-on-board-involved-in-accident-on-eastex-freeway/31848586>
22. *March 17, CNN* – (Washington, D.C.) **White House is mailed package with cyanide.** The U.S. Secret Service confirmed March 17 that the White House in Washington,

D.C. received an envelope March 16 at its mail screening facility which initially tested negative for any threatening substances, but tested positive for cyanide in a follow-up chemical test. The sample was sent to another facility to confirm the positive test results and no injuries or exposure concerns were reported.

Source: <http://www.cnn.com/2015/03/17/politics/white-house-mailed-cyanide/>

23. *March 17, Newark Star-Ledger* – (New Jersey) **8 middle school students sent to hospital after Bridgewater bus crash, police say.** A Bridgewater-Raritan Middle School bus lost power and crashed into a tree while entering the New Jersey school March 17, causing eight students to be transported to a local hospital with injuries. The remaining students were checked by emergency personnel on-site and officials believe the loss of power was due to a mechanical failure on the bus.

Source:

http://www.nj.com/somerset/index.ssf/2015/03/8_students_sent_to_hospital_after_bridgewater_bus.html

24. *March 17, NBC News* – (National) **State Department unclassified network back up after four days.** The U.S. Department of State announced March 17 that Internet service on its unclassified email network was restored after it was shut down March 13 follow the discovery of malware in the system in November. The department reported that some email delivery could be delayed while the system resumes normal operations.

Source: <http://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/state-department-unclassified-network-back-after-four-days-x-n325221>

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Emergency Services Sector

25. *March 17, KAMR 4 Amarillo* – (Texas) **Health officials testing for possible TB exposure at Randall County Detention Center.** Public health officials in the City of Amarillo are testing both inmates and staff members at Randall County Jail for tuberculosis after a patient showed symptoms of the disease. Officials believe the likelihood of spreading the disease is low.

Source: http://www.myhighplains.com/story/d/story/health-officials-testing-for-possible-tb-exposure/33486/wVXEfFyGkkiKeD35fi_pvw

26. *March 17, Omaha World-Herald* – (Iowa) **Iowa auditor: Over \$100,000 in ‘unsupported and improper disbursements’ connected to Woodbine fire department.** The Iowa State Auditor released a report March 17 alleging that \$106,269 was spent by members of the Woodbine Volunteer Fire Department from January 2009 through March 2014 on improper and unsupported expenditures including fuel for personal vehicles, alcohol purchases, and undocumented expenses. Three fire department members were charged with unauthorized use of a credit card and the department is working on improving its record keeping and accountability.

Source: http://www.omaha.com/news/iowa/iowa-auditor-over-in-unsupported-and-improper-disbursements-connected-to/article_7aaa2ea3-3eef-533d-9e4f-d93b048b33bb.html

Information Technology Sector

27. *March 18, Securityweek* – (International) **Apple fixes WebKit vulnerabilities with release of Safari 8.0.4.** Apple released Safari versions 8.0.4, 7.1.4, and 6.2.4 which address a total of 16 memory corruption issues that were identified in WebKit, by Apple's own security team and Google Chrome Security Team, and included a user interface inconsistency.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/apple-fixes-webkit-vulnerabilities-release-safari-804>
28. *March 18, Securityweek* – (International) **Johnson Controls, XZERES, Honeywell patch vulnerable products.** The Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) announced that Johnson Controls, Honeywell, and XZERES released patches addressing vulnerabilities in their products which can be exploited by an attacker to gain administrative access and compromise affected systems through a cross-site request forgery (CSRF) flaw, an unrestricted file upload vulnerability, or a path traversal vulnerability.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/johnson-controls-xzeres-honeywell-patch-vulnerable-products>
29. *March 18, Softpedia* – (International) **Almost 2,000 popular Android and iOS apps are vulnerable to FREAK attack.** FireEye researchers discovered that 1,999 popular Android and Apple iOS apps used for photo and video, financial, lifestyle, social networking, communication, or shopping are susceptible to the Factoring RSA-Export Key (FREAK) attack which weakens encryption due to a vulnerable build of OpenSSL cryptographic library. The apps all contain sensitive information including data related to online banking, account log-in credentials, or medical information.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Almost-2-000-Popular-Android-and-iOS-Apps-Are-Vulnerable-to-FREAK-Attack-476101.shtml>
30. *March 17, Softpedia* – (International) **Windows Live SSL certificate issued to unauthorized third party.** Microsoft released an advisory warning of a fraudulent certificate for the Finnish Windows Live domain which is generated by the Certificate Authority (CA) Comodo following an unauthorized request from a privileged email account which can be used by hackers to spoof Microsoft Web content and carry out man-in-the-middle (MitM) and phishing attacks. The certificate affects systems running certain Windows and Server versions, as well as Windows Phone 8 and Windows Phone 8.1. A standalone updater is available for revoked certificate.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Windows-Live-SSL-Certificate-Issued-to-Unauthorized-Third-Party-476020.shtml>

Internet Alert Dashboard

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Commercial Facilities Sector

31. *March 18, Contra Costa Times* – (California) **Pittsburgh: Cause of big rig's fiery crash could take weeks to determine.** Authorities continued to investigate the cause of an accident that kept every business in a Pittsburg, California strip mall closed March 17 after a semi-truck hit at least three cars before crashing into a vacant Los Patrones Mexican Food restaurant and exploding March 16, killing the driver.
Source: http://www.contracostatimes.com/breaking-news/ci_27728427/pittsburg-cause-big-rigs-fiery-crash-could-take
32. *March 18, WXIN 59 Indianapolis* – (Indiana) **Up to 30 displaced after two-alarm grease fire at Autumn Woods Apartments in Castleton.** A March 17 fire at the Autumn Woods Apartments complex in Castleton displaced 30 residents and caused an estimated \$750,000 in damage. Firefighters rescued 2 individuals from the structure that is believed to have caught fire due to a grease fire.
Source: <http://fox59.com/2015/03/17/two-alarm-fire-reported-at-autumn-woods-apartments-in-castleton/>
33. *March 17, Softpedia* – (National) **Apple American Group loses USB drive, employee SSNs exposed.** Apple American Group reported that a third-party payroll consultant inadvertently lost a removable storage drive containing sensitive information, including names, Social Security numbers, and tax information of employees from about 470 Applebee's restaurants nationwide. A company representative stated that there is no evidence that the data has been used for malicious purposes.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Apple-American-Group-Loses-USB-Drive-Employee-SSNs-Exposed-476051.shtml>

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